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## IN THE CLAIMS:

44. (Previously Added) A system for coating containers, comprising
an apparatus for coating an area of damaged protective coating on a container;
a first conveyor having a plurality of platforms, wherein each platform is
selectively actuable to position a container proximate the apparatus for coating an area
of damaged protective coating on that container; and

a second conveyor having a plurality of platforms, wherein each platform is selectively actuable to position a container proximate the apparatus for coating an area of damaged protective coating on that container.

- 45. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 44, wherein each pedestal platform of the first conveyor is selectively actuable to position one of the containers proximate a first heater for heating the area of damaged protective coating on the container.
- 46. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 44, wherein each pedestal platform of the second conveyor is selectively actuable to position one of the containers proximate a carrier unit for depositing protective coating material attached to the carrier unit onto the area of damaged protective coating on the container.
- 47. (Currently Amended) A system for coating containers, comprising an apparatus for coating an area of damaged protective coating on a container; a rotary manipulator; at least one heating unit, positioned adjacent the rotary manipulator; a first conveyor, for supplying containers to the rotary manipulator; wherein the rotary manipulator rotates the containers to a position proximate the apparatus for coating an area of damaged protective coating on a container, and to a position proximate the at least one heating unit; and a second conveyor for removing containers from the rotary manipulator.
- 48. (New) A system for coating containers, comprising
   an apparatus for coating a limited area on a container;
   a first conveyor having a plurality of platforms, wherein each platform is

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selectively actuable to position a container proximate the apparatus for coating a limited area on that container; and

a second conveyor having a plurality of platforms, wherein each platform is selectively actuable to position a container proximate the apparatus for coating a limited area on that container.